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1. Monthly pay for Soviet Army officers, regardless of
assignment, is as follows:

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Jr Lt	400 rubles
Lt	500 rubles
Sr Lt	600 rubles
Capt	700 rubles
Maj	900 rubles
Lt Col	1100 rubles
Col	1300 rubles
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2. Pay for artillery officers in the Soviet Zone of Germany is as follows:

a. Regimental Commander, a colonel:

regimental commanders' pay (assignment pay) - 1800 rubles
 colonels' pay (rank pay) - 1300 rubles
 plus longevity

for 2-5 years - 5%
 for 5-10 years - 10%
 for 10-15 years - 15%

allowance for orderly - 300 rubles

Total: about 4000 rubles

The colonel gets 3200 rubles and 3200 East Marks (20% of the total pay is deducted and paid in East Marks; i.e., 20% of 4000 is 800 rubles, and 800 rubles, figured at two marks per ruble equals 1600 East Marks). I believe the extra 1600 East Marks constitutes overseas pay. Deductions from the pay are as follows:

13% income tax - this income tax is 13% of all earnings above 1000 rubles per month; for those earning less than 1000 rubles per month the tax is 8%

15-20% for war bonds - officers must buy war bonds in an amount equivalent to two month's pay; in this example a minimum of 8000 rubles per year must be invested in war bonds

3% for CP dues

30 East Marks for rent

40 rubles per three-month period for newspaper and magazine subscriptions

10 East Marks per month for service in the mess hall

Uniforms for officers and their meals are free, but any items eaten which are not included in the menu must be paid for

- b. The deputy regimental commander receives 1500 rubles assignment pay, plus his rank pay, orderly allowance, and longevity.
- c. The regimental political officer receives 1800 rubles assignment pay, plus his rank pay, allowances and longevity.
- d. The battery commander receives 900 rubles assignment pay, plus his rank pay, allowances and longevity.

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- e. The battery or company political officer receives 800 rubles assignment pay plus his rank pay, allowances and longevity.
- f. A platoon leader receives 700 rubles assignment pay plus his rank pay, allowances and longevity. 50X1
- g. [] a lieutenant [] received 500 rubles rank pay, 800 rubles for [] assignment as battery political officer, and 65 rubles for longevity. Of the 1300 rubles total monthly 20% was deducted to be paid in East Marks; 200 rubles were deducted for bonds; 13% was deducted for income tax; 3% was deducted for party dues; 40 rubles were deducted each three months for subscriptions to Pravda, Krasnaya Zvezda, Stalinskaya Gvardya, Sovietskaya Armiya, Propagandist Agitator, and Artillerist; 30 East Marks were deducted for monthly rent; and 10 East Marks were deducted for service in the messhall. [] 50X1
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3. Rubles are not paid out to officers in the Soviet Zone of Germany, nor can they be drawn in East Marks; instead they are entered in special bankbooks. Thus the money can be drawn from the account when the depositor is in the USSR; he can transfer money to his relatives in the USSR from the account; or, when going on leave, the depositor can draw rubles at the USSR border.
4. In the USSR, all married officers who have no children pay a special tax of 6% for childlessness, but this tax is not levied upon officers in the Soviet Zone of Germany.
5. Officers get the following items free, for the period stated:
- Overcoat - two years
 - Gabardine summer uniform - two years
 - Trousers - one year
 - Parade uniform - three years
 - Summer uniform, issue - one year
 - Dress boots - eight months
 - Shelter tent - three years
 - Service cap - two years
 - Soap, two cakes - one month
 - Boot soles (two pair) - one year
 - Underwear (two sets) - one year
 - Socks and footwraps
6. Enlisted men get the following items free, for the period stated:
- Overcoat - three years
 - Work overcoat - three years
 - Trousers and shirt, cotton, one each - six months
 - Cowhide boots, one pair - eight months
 - Fur cap - three years
 - Garrison cap - two years
 - Underwear (two sets) - one year

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